

# PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT, CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

## Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation



OPEN – STATEWIDE

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AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER TO ALL REGARDLESS OF RACE, COLOR, CREED, NATIONAL ORIGIN, ANCESTRY, SEX, MARITAL STATUS, DISABILITY, RELIGIOUS OR POLITICAL AFFILIATION, AGE OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION.

IT IS AN OBJECTIVE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO ACHIEVE A DRUG-FREE STATE WORK PLACE. ANY APPLICANT FOR STATE EMPLOYMENT WILL BE EXPECTED TO BEHAVE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS OBJECTIVE BECAUSE THE USE OF ILLEGAL DRUGS IS INCONSISTENT WITH THE LAW OF THE STATE, THE RULES GOVERNING CIVIL SERVICE AND THE SPECIAL TRUST PLACED IN PUBLIC SERVANTS.

**EXAMINATION TYPE** This is an open examination. Applications for this examination will not be accepted on a promotional basis. Career credits will not be granted.

**LOCATION** This examination is administered by the State Personnel Board utilizing the Internet.

**WHO SHOULD APPLY** Applicants who meet the minimum qualifications as stated below may apply and take this examination at any time. Once you have taken the Training and Experience Evaluation examination, you may not retest for six (6) months.

**HOW TO APPLY** The Application and the Training and Experience Evaluation will be available on a continuous basis on the Internet. Applicants will respond to questions regarding their ability to meet minimum qualifications, provide their contact information, and take the Training and Experience Evaluation on the Internet.

**DO NOT SUBMIT A STATE APPLICATION FORM. THE APPLICATION FORM FOR THE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT, CF IS CONTAINED IN THE INTERNET PROCESS.**

If you do not have Internet access, there are public access Internet terminals in over 150 California public libraries. Contact your local library for information as to where the nearest Internet terminal is located and the policies related to usage. **DO NOT** contact the State Personnel Board or the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation for this information. The State Personnel Board and the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation do not maintain an up-to-date list of library locations. The State Personnel Board Service Center, located at 801 Capitol Mall, Sacramento, CA, does have Internet terminals that are available for public use at no cost. For more information, contact the Service Center at (916) 653-1705.

If you are not familiar with the Internet, you may have a friend or family member assist you. You may apply and take the examination on the Internet by connecting to the following on line instructions:

[http://www.spb.ca.gov/employment/exam\\_start.htm](http://www.spb.ca.gov/employment/exam_start.htm)

Please note that the Internet system will be unavailable on Tuesday's between 7:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m., Pacific Standard time, for processing and maintenance. **DO NOT** begin the application process on the Internet during this time as your record will **NOT** be processed. It takes approximately one hour to complete the Application, and the Training and Experience Evaluation, on the Internet. If you begin the examination before 7:00 a.m., be sure to allow sufficient time to complete the process.

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**SPECIAL TESTING  
ARRANGEMENTS**

If you have a disability and need special testing arrangements, call the State Personnel Board's Examination and Selection Services Section at (916) 653-1502, Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TTY) (916) 654-6336, or via California Relay (Telephone) Service for the deaf or hearing impaired: from TTY phones: 1-(800) 735-2929, for voice phones: 1-(800) 735-2922.

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**SALARY**

**\$8,084.00 – \$9,162.00\* Per month**

**\*This salary includes pay differential enhancements to the base salary as authorized December 1, 2005, and applies to all Physician Assistant, CF appointed to Adult Institutions and Division of Correctional Health Care Services only**

**Additionally, R&R Bonuses are offered at Adult Institutions as indicated below:**

- \$1,500 (one-time payment) – upon completion of one qualifying pay period (All Adult Institutions-applies to those appointed new to state service on or after 1/01/03).
- \$1,500 (one-time payment) – upon completion of six consecutive qualifying pay periods (All Adult Institutions-applies to those appointed new to state service on or after 1/01/03).
- \$1,000 (one-time payment) – upon completion of 18 consecutive qualifying pay periods (All Adult Institutions-applies to those appointed new to state service on or after 1/01/03).

**Base Salary**

\$6334.00 - \$7412.00 Per month

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**BENEFITS**

- Deferred Compensation Plans (Savings pool, 401k and 457 plans)
- \$100 Monthly Bilingual Differential Pay
- 75% Reimbursement of Van Pool, \$65 maximum per month (\$100 primary driver)
- 75% Reimbursement of Public Transit Passes, \$65 maximum per month
- Flexible work hours (management discretion)
- Pre-tax parking (where applicable)
- Fourteen (14) paid holidays
- Generous paid vacation/sick leave or annual leave
- Jury duty/military/bereavement leave
- Health, Dental, and Vision Care Plans (Rural Health Care Equity Program for areas without HMOs)
- Pre-retirement death benefit
- Dependent Care Program
- Long Term Insurance (CalPERS)
- Home Loan Program (CalPERS)
- Legal Services
- Employee Assistance Program
- Work and Family Advisory Committee
- \$112 - \$139 monthly Night Shift Differential Pay
- \$50 monthly Education Differential Pay
- \$150 monthly Shift Lead Differential Pay
- Clinical Supervision Differential Pay
- \$200 and 32 hours annually on Continuing Education Units
- Up to \$450 annual Uniform Allowance
- Reimbursement of License Renewal Fees (Actual Cost)
- California Public Employees' Safety Retirement System (Exempt from paying into federal Social Security System)

**POSITION  
DESCRIPTION**

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A Physician Assistant, CF, under the clinical supervision of a physician, in a State Correctional facility in the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, assesses and manages the health care needs of patients in primary care and specialized clinic settings; performs and interprets physical examinations and routine laboratory, screening and therapeutic procedures; educates and counsel patients regarding matters pertaining to their physical and mental health; maintains order and supervises the conduct of inmates or youthful offenders; protects and maintains the safety of persons and property; and does other related work.

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**POSITION  
DESCRIPTION,  
CONTINUED**

Positions exist at various locations throughout the state with the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

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**REQUIREMENTS FOR  
ADMITTANCE TO  
EXAMINATION**

NOTE: All applicants must meet the education and/or experience requirements as stated on this examination announcement.

Possession of a current Physician Assistant license for the State of California. (Applicants who do not meet this requirement will be admitted to the examination, but they must secure the required license before they will be considered eligible for appointment.)

***Applicants must show their Physician Assistant License number, title, and expiration date on the on-line supplemental application***

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**TRAINING AND  
EXPERIENCE  
EVALUATION**

The examination will consist of a Training and Experience evaluation weighted 100%. In order to obtain a position on the eligible list, a minimum rating of 70% must be attained.

**TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE EVALUATION - WEIGHTED 100%**

Knowledge of:

1. The laws and regulations of governing Physician Assistants
2. Disease conditions and procedures involved in treatment and diagnosis
3. Basic pharmacology
4. Concepts in clinical medicine and surgery
5. Mental health and preventive medicine
6. Routine laboratory and screening techniques

Ability to:

1. Interview patients and compile complete and accurate medical histories
2. Perform routine physical examinations
3. Observe and evaluate patients' emotional conditions
4. Diagnose medical conditions and identify problems that require immediate consultation with a physician
5. Assess and manage the care of patients
6. Provide health education and counseling to patients
7. Maintain good working relationships with other members of the health care team
8. Prepare and maintain clear and concise patient case records and reports

**ELIGIBLE LIST  
INFORMATION**

An open merged eligible list will be established for the California Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation. The names of successful competitors will be merged onto the eligible list in order of final scores regardless of test date. Eligibility expires 12 months after it is established. Competitors must then retest to reestablish eligibility. Competitors may retest after six (6) months.

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**VETERAN'S  
PREFERENCE**

**Veteran's Preference** credits will be added to the final score of all competitors who are successful in this examination and who qualify for, and have requested, these points through the State Personnel Board. Due to changes in the law, effective January 1, 1996, VETERANS WHO HAVE ACHIEVED PERMANENT CIVIL SERVICE STATUS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE VETERAN'S PREFERENCE CREDITS.

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**PRE-APPLICATION  
TO MEDICAL STAFF  
(PREAPP)**

**Please fax the following documents to the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation Credential Coordinator at (916) 324-6733:**

- ❖ Pre-Application to Medical Staff (PREAPP)
- ❖ Current Curriculum Vitae or resume

The PREAPP can be downloaded from CDCR's website at [www.cdcr.ca.gov](http://www.cdcr.ca.gov) (under Health Care Professionals Needed Now) or you may request a copy by calling the Selection Services Section at (916) 322-2545

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**QUESTIONS?**

If you have any questions concerning this announcement, please contact:

State Personnel Board  
801 Capitol Mall  
P.O. Box 944201, Sacramento, CA 94244-2010  
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California Relay Service: 1-800-735-2929 (TTY), 1-800-735-2922 (Voice)

TTY is a Telecommunications Device for the Deaf and is reachable only from phones equipped with a TTY Device.

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**GENERAL INFORMATION**

**If you meet the requirements** stated on this bulletin, you may take this examination, which is competitive. Possession of the entrance requirements does not assure a place on the eligible list. Your performance in the examination described on this bulletin will be compared with the performance of the others who take this test, and all candidates who pass will be ranked according to their scores.

**The State Personnel Board** reserves the right to revise the examination plan to better meet the needs of the service if the circumstances under which this examination was planned change. Such revision will be in accordance with civil service laws and rules and all competitors will be notified.

**Eligible Lists:** Eligible lists established by competitive examination, regardless of date, must be used in the following order: 1) sub-divisional promotional, 2) departmental promotional, 3) multidepartmental promotional, 4) servicewide promotional, 5) open eligible list. When there are two lists of the same kind, the older must be used first. Eligible lists will expire in from one to four years unless otherwise stated on this bulletin. In the case of continuous testing examinations, names are merged into the appropriate eligible list in order of final test scores (except as modified by veterans preference credits) regardless of the date of the test and the resulting eligible lists will be used only to fill vacancies in the area shown on the bulletin.

**General Qualifications:** Candidates must possess essential personal qualifications including integrity, initiative, dependability, good judgment, and ability to work cooperatively with others; and a state of health consistent with the ability to perform the assigned duties of the class. A medical examination may be required. In open examinations, investigation may be made of employment records and personal history and fingerprinting may be required.

**Veterans Preference:** California law limits the granting of veterans' preference points in open entrance examinations and open non-promotional examinations. Credits in open entrance examinations are granted as follows: 10 points for veterans, widows, or widowers of veterans, and spouses of 100 percent disabled veterans; and 15 points for disabled veterans. Credits in open non-promotional examinations are granted as follows: Five points for veterans; and 10 points for disabled veterans. Directions for applying for veterans' preference are on the Veterans' Preference Application which is available from the State Personnel Board office, written test proctors, and the Department of Veterans Affairs, P.O. Box 1559, Sacramento, CA 95807.

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